SENATE BILL 161 EMERGENCY BILL

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By: Senators Stone and Klausmeier Introduced and read first time: January 23, 2004 Assigned to: Budget and Taxation Committee Report: Favorable with amendments Senate action: Adopted Read second time: March 9, 2004	
1	AN ACT concerning
2	Redhouse Run Stormwater Systems Loan of 1984
3 4 5 6 7	FOR the purpose of amending Chapter 389 of the Acts of 1984 to require that the County Executive and County Council of Baltimore County encumber or expend the loan proceeds by June 1, 2005 loan proceeds be encumbered by the Board of Public Works or expended for certain purposes by a certain date; and making this Act an emergency measure.
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12 13	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
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16 17	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That:
20 21 22	(1) The Board of Public Works may borrow money and incur indebtedness on behalf of the State of Maryland through a State loan to be known as the Redhouse Run Stormwater Systems Loan of 1984 in the aggregate principal amount of \$3,000,000. This loan shall be evidenced by the issuance and sale of State general obligation bonds authorized by a resolution of the Board of Public Works and issued, sold and delivered in accordance with the provisions of §§ 19 to 23 of Article 31 of the

- 1 Annotated Code of Maryland (1983 Replacement Volume, as amended from time to 2 time).
- 3 (2) The bonds issued to evidence this loan or installments thereof may be sold 4 as a single issue, or may be consolidated and sold as part of a single issue of bonds 5 under § 2B of Article 31 of the Code.
- 6 (3) The actual cash proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be paid to the
- 7 Treasurer and shall be first applied to the payment of the expenses of issuing and
- 8 delivering the bonds unless funds for this purpose are otherwise provided and
- 9 thereafter shall be credited on the books of the State Comptroller and expended, upon
- 10 approval by the Board of Public Works, for the following public purposes, including
- 11 any applicable architects' and engineers' fees: as a grant to the County Executive and
- 12 County Council of Baltimore County for the purpose of the reconstruction,
- 13 rehabilitation, renovation, reequipping, restoration, and improvement of the
- 14 stormwater systems along Redhouse Run in Baltimore County.
- 15 (4) There is hereby levied and imposed an annual State tax on all assessable
- 16 property in the State in rate and amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest
- 17 on the bonds as and when due and until paid in full, such principal to be discharged
- 18 within fifteen years of the date of issue of the bonds.
- 19 (5) Prior to the payment of any funds under the provisions of this Act for the
- 20 purposes set forth in Section 1(3) above, the County Executive and County Council of
- 21 Baltimore County shall provide at least an equal and matching fund of \$3,000,000. No
- 22 part of an applicant's matching fund may be provided, either directly or indirectly,
- 23 from funds of the State, whether appropriated or unappropriated. No part of the fund
- 24 may consist of real property, in kind contributions, or funds expended prior to the
- 25 effective date of this Act. In case of any dispute as to what money or assets may
- 26 qualify as matching funds, the Board of Public Works shall determine the matter, and
- 27 the Board's decision is final. The County Executive and County Council of Baltimore
- 28 County have until June 1, 1987, to present evidence satisfactory to the Board of
- 29 Public Works that the matching fund will be provided. If satisfactory evidence is
- 30 presented, the Board shall certify this fact to the State Treasurer and the proceeds of
- 31 the loan shall be expended for the purposes provided in this Act. If this evidence is not
- 32 presented by June 1, 1987, the proceeds of the loan shall be applied to the purposes
- 33 authorized in Article 78A, § 3 of the Code.
- 34 (6) THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY
- 35 MUST ENCUMBER OR EXPEND THE LOAN PROCEEDS BY JUNE 1, 2005 THE PROCEEDS
- 36 OF THE LOAN MUST BE ENCUMBERED BY THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS OR
- 37 EXPENDED FOR THE PURPOSES PROVIDED IN THIS ACT NO LATER THAN JUNE 1, 2006.
- 38 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED. That this Act is an
- 39 emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health
- 40 or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the
- 41 members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take
- 42 effect from the date it is enacted.